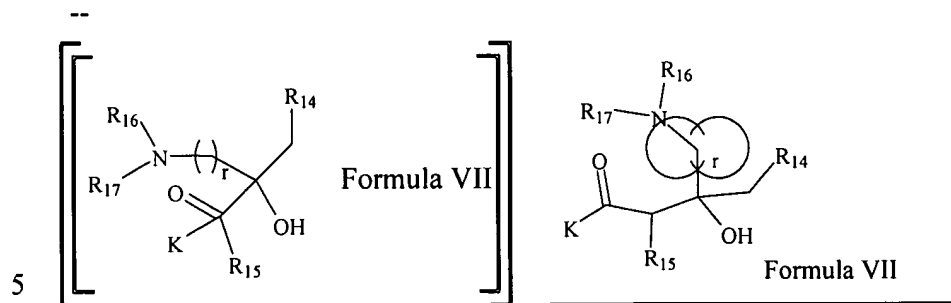


AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph on page 8, lines 6-16 with the following paragraph:



wherein:

K is as defined above;

r is and integer from 1-3;

- 10 R₁₄ and R₁₅ are the same or different and each is aryl optionally substituted with one or more groups selected from -OH, -NH₂, -SH, halogen, a heterocyclic ring and hydrocarbyl. R₁₄ and/or R₁₅ are unsubstituted in some embodiments and in other embodiments each is a benzene ring optionally substituted with one or more hydrocarbyl groups and/or halogens; and
- 15 R₁₆ and R₁₇ are the same or different and each is hydrocarbyl or a heterocyclic ring. In particular embodiments, R₁₆ and R₁₇ are the same or different and each is lower alkyl.--